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Dublin, Octob. 3.

ON the 30th past the Commons of this Kingdom, with their Speaker, attended his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the following Address, humbly desiring his Grace would transmit it to Her Majesty, as the Address of that House.

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled, to the Queen.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland *in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to embrace this our first Opportunity of expressing the great Satisfaction we receive from Your Majesty's most happy Accession to the Throne of Your Royal Ancestors; and to congratulate the Glorious Success wherewith it has pleased God to bless Your Majesty's Arms by Sea and Land. Your Majesty's constant Zeal for the Protestant Religion as by Law Established, and sincere Concern for the Welfare and Happiness of Your People, justly challenge a grateful Acknowledgement from all Your Subjects: But we of this Kingdom are in a more particular manner sensible of Your Royal Goodness and Favour, in placing over us a Governor, whose Conduct, Bravery, and unshaken Loyalty to the Crown, and tender Care for this his Native Country, have rendred him equally acceptable to Your Majesty, and to us.*

We cannot but with the deepest Concern take Notice to Your Majesty, That our Enemies, by many groundless and malicious Calumnies, have misrepresented us, (the sad and severe Effects whereof we too sensibly feel:) And especially, as if we thought our selves, or desired to be, inaependant of the Crown of England.

In Duty therefore to Your Majesty, and to vindicate our selves from such foul and unworthy Aspersions, we here declare and acknowledge, That the Kingdom of Ireland *is annexed and united to the Imperial Crown of* England; *and by the Laws and Statutes of this Kingdom is declared to be justly and rightfully depending upon, and belonging, and for ever united to the same, and that it never entred into our Thoughts to wish the contrary; the Happiness of this Kingdom entirely depending on a steady Duty paid to the Crown of* England, *and a good Correspondence with Your Majesty's Subjects of that Kingdom. And we do unanimously assure Your Majesty, That we will, to the utmost of our Power, support and maintain Your Majesty's rightful and lawful Title to the Crown of this Realm, and the Succession in the Protestant Line, as the same is settled by Acts of Parliament in* England.

To which his Grace was pleased to return the following Answer:

Gentlemen,

I Will take care of sending this Address to Her Majesty; and am very glad when you give me these Opportunities of assuring Her Majesty of the Duty and Affection of Her Subjects here, for Her Royal Person and Government.

Her Majesty's Ship the *Kingsfisher* arrived yesterday at *Kinsale*, with 9 *East-India* Ships under her Convoy, *viz.* the *Wentworth*, *Hampshire*, *Phoenix*, *Fleet* Frigat, *John and Mary*, *Macclesfield*, *Upton* Galley, *Bengal Merchant*, and *Arabia Factor*.

Her Majesty's Ship the *York* is also come in there, with 17 Sail of homeward-bound Merchant Ships from *Virginia*, being part of the Fleet that sailed from thence in the beginning of *August*, under Convoy of the said *York*, and of Her Majesty's Ship the *Falmouth*, from whom, and a good number of the Merchant Ships, these were separated by stress of Weather.

Genoua, Sept. 16. *N. S.* Letters from *Marseilles*, and other Places in *Provence*, which came in yesterday, say, That the Count *de Toulouse* having received Advice, that Sir *Cloudesly Shovell* was entred into the *Mediterranean* with the *English* and *Dutch* Fleet under his Command, and had been seen off of *Malaga*, had ordered the *French* Men of War which then lay in the Road of *Toulon* to enter into the Harbour, for their better Security.

Leghorne, Sept. 21. The *Queen Anne* Galley arrived here the 18th Instant, being come in 30 days from *Dublin*, and in 14 days from the *Sereights*, but brings no manner of News. They write from *Nice* of the 11th, That the *French* Fleet was not yet sailed from *Toulon* the 7th. Letters from *Nismes* say, the Malecontents in the *Cevennes* had fallen upon a strong Party of the *French* King's Troops, and killed 80 of them upon the place.

Venice, Sept. 28. The *French* continue to withdraw their forces out of the Country of *Trent*, their Foot passing to *Dezenzano* over the Lake *di Garda*. It is generally believed their Horse will return by Land on the West side of that Lake. It is said they have undermined the Fortifications of *Arco* and *Nago*, in order to blow them up when they have wholly withdrawn their Troops.

Vienna, October 3. *N. S.* General *Nigrelli* died the 23d Instant at *Caschaw*, where he has resided several years as Commander in Chief in *Upper Hungary*. A Party of the Rebels in that Country did some days ago plunder the Town of *Bargan*, over-against *Gran*; and their Detachment which lately took *Zolnoch* being advanced to *Pest*, has summoned the Inhabitants to surrender, allowing them but two days time to give their Answer. General *Rabutin*, the Emperor's Commander in Chief in *Transilvania*, has got together 2000 *German* Forces, and as many *Rascians* and Militia of that Province, and is marched to the Frontiers of *Hungary*, to relieve *Kooar*, which Place is surrounded by another Body of Rebels. Major General *Forgatsch* has also drawn a Body of *Hungarian* Troops together near *Nitria*, to hinder the Rebels from marching to *Presbourg*.

Cologne, Octob. 12. The King of *Spain* having passed through the Bishoprick of *Hildesheim*, was to arrive at *Hamelen* the 9th Instant, and is expected the 15th at *Dusseldorp*, whither the Count *de Zinzendorf*, Envoy from the Emperor, is arrived from *Liege*. The Baron of *Els* is come hither from the Court of *Triers*, being sent by that Elector to compliment his Catholick Majesty. The Forces of the King of *Prussia*, which are encamped before *Gelder*, began to bombard that Place the 7th Instant, and have in a manner reduced it to Ashes; the Governor however still holds out, notwithstanding he can have no prospect of any Relief. According to our Advices from *Swabia*, Prince *Lewis* was still encamped near *Augsbourg* on the 5th Instant, and the *French* and *Bavarian* Army lay at *Gertzhoffen*, not far from that City. The Count *de Stirum* having been reinforced with the Troops which were before *Rothemberg*, and supplied with Artillery and Ammunition from *Nuremberg* and *Nordlingen*, was preparing to decamp from this last Place, in order (as was said) to join Prince *Lewis*'s Army. They write from the *Upper Rhine*, that the *French* Army under the Command of the Marshal *de Tallard* was advancing towards *Landau*, but his Designs was not yet certainly known.

Hamburgh, Octob. 12. They write from *Berlin*, that the King of *Sweden* has owned the King of *Prussia*, and writ a Letter to congratulate him upon his Advancement to the Royal Dignity, and that a Solemn Embassy was expected from *Sweden* to pay those Compliments in form. Letters from *Graudentz*, which came in this day, say, That the *Swedish* Forces carry on the Siege of *Thoorn* very vigorously, and that there being a large Breach made in the Place, they had twice assaulted it, but the Besieged having cast up new Works behind the Breach, defended themselves with so much Resolution, that the *Swedes* were repulsed both times with considerable Loss: But our Advices from those Parts are so uncertain, that we know not what Credit to give to this or other Accounts we receive from thence, till they are confirmed by second Advices.

From the Camp at Alderbeesten, *Octob.* 15. On the 9th Instant, being the day appointed for the Exchange of Prisoners between us and the *French*, Colonel *Cassegan* and Colonel *Croonstrom*, whom the Duke of *Marlborough* had appointed to be Commissioners for this purpose, went to *Wilre*, a Village between *St. Tron* and *Leeuwe*, where they were to meet Messieurs *Puerh* and *d'Artois*, the *French* Commissioners, who came thither accor